



# Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, February 25, 2020

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## Public Speaking Finalists



This group of young orators presented their speeches to us (on February 13<sup>th</sup>) on varied & interesting topics. Thanks to J. Fitzgerald & E. Kearns for acting as judges. Congrats to Elizabeth & Holly as well as Maddie & Ariella who were chosen to go to the Legion. @alcdsb

Shrove Tuesday pancakes & the fun Mardi Gras beads. Thanks to our chefs: R. Wealch, H. Parks, L. MacKenzie, M. Hamilton-Porter, S. Lawrence, T. Storey & L. Hetu & our Eco-Schools team for washing the forks. @alcdsb @EchSchoolsCAN



Thank you to Mrs. Cannon & the Faith Life Committee for organizing the Prayer Service this morning. Thank you also to all who sent in their Blessed Palms from Palm Sunday 2019 so they could be burnt & prepared for Ash Wednesday Mass tomorrow.

*Please come join us for Ash Wednesday Mass at 9 a.m.*

## SHROVE TUESDAY



## Pink Shirt Day - February 26<sup>th</sup>



Thank you School Council for the delicious



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This year, Pink Shirt Day, or Anti-Bullying Day, is on February 26<sup>th</sup>. It is a day when people come together by wearing pink shirts to school or work to show they are against bullying. The focus for 2020 is "lift each other up."



Pizza Day on **Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>** has been cancelled and any pizza purchased online will be applied towards to next Pizza Day.  
*Our next Pizza Day will be Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>.*

## INTERNATIONAL POLAR BEAR DAY & POLAR BEAR WALK



**February 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Our Polar Bears need our help!**

*Due to the reduced sea ice, polar bears have a loss of habitat and are access to prey. There is an increased level of human to polar bear conflict as the bears spend more time on land. The increase industrial activities with oil and gas exploration development can disturb denning females.*

**Please wear your Polar Bear Gear and consider supporting our Polar Bear Fundraiser with a donation of a toonie (\$2.00).** See <https://www.worldwildlife.org/species/polar-bear> for more information.

## ATTENTION GRADE 7 PARENTS



Thank you to the Grade Seven parents who have already submitted their money towards our 2020 graduation ceremony. Just a reminder to please send in your donation of **\$25.00** as soon as possible. It is very much appreciated. **You can make this payment online if you have registered for SCHOOL CASH ONLINE.** Please look for the "Grade 7 Pre-payment for Graduation", as the item.

## JAM FUNDRAISER ORDER FORMS GO HOME MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup>



School Council is once again working with The Stone Kitchen for the Jam Fundraiser. **ORDER FORMS WILL GO HOME ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup> TO YOUNGEST and/or ONLY CHILD FROM EACH FAMILY** Jam orders are due Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. **PLEASE RETURN** all order forms and money to the school **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** The jam will be available for pickup at the school **MAY 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.** Families are responsible for picking up their orders as well as for distributing the jam to their customers. Please make a special effort to sell the jam as well as to return the orders and money to the office as soon as possible.

*Thank you for your support of this fundraiser.*

## OLM School History



**Do you remember the OLM Choristers?**

Catholic District School Board to help compile a history of the schools. We are reaching out to the community to help us gather old photos, news articles or fun memories from past students. We would really like to showcase how wonderful our school is! Any help would be greatly appreciated. You can email [flhpomer@alcdsb.on.ca](mailto:flhpomer@alcdsb.on.ca) or drop off any info at the school office. Thank you

**REGISTER ONLINE!  
FOR 2020-2021 KINDERGARTEN  
PROGRAM**



ALCDSB is now able to accept online registration for Kindergarten students for the fall of 2020-2021. To be eligible the child must be 4 years of age on or before **Dec 31/20**. Please see our webpage for the link.

**GRADE 8 BOTTLE DRIVE  
FUNDRAISER**



**We are continuing to collect LCBO bottles and beer cans as a fundraiser for our end-of-year graduation trip. Bottles can be dropped off at the school by the shed at the east side of the school across from the propane tanks.**

*Thank you to everyone who has donated to this fundraiser! We appreciate your support!*

**LABOUR DISRUPTIONS**

Please visit our website, ALCDSB website or Twitter - @alcdsb\_omer for ANY information on upcoming withdrawal of services.



**PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING IN  
YOUR RECYCLED BATTERIES!**